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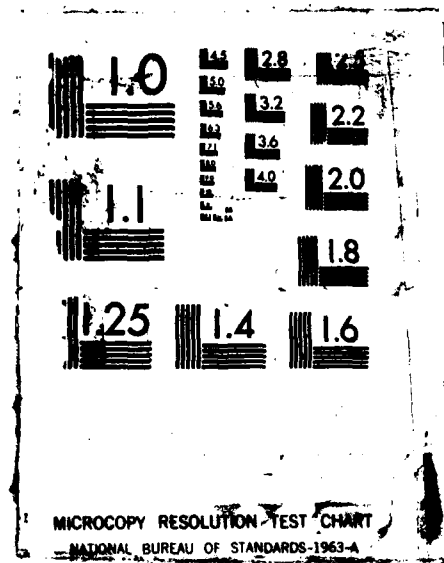
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We have also studied novel synthetic glycolipids incorporated into phospholipid vesicle structures. These synthetic glycolipids modify the lipid phase behavior substantially and produce vesicles which are stable to lyophilization. The details of these studies have been prepared for publication, and are given in the attached preprint entitled "Modification of Lipid Phase Behavior With Membrane Bound Cryoprotectants" by Raymond P. Goodrich, Tracy M. Handel, and John D. Baldeschwieler.

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**I. Statement of Problems Studied:**

Submicron vesicles stabilized by disulfide polymerization, and using synthetic glycolipids have been characterized.

**II. Summary of the Most Important Results:**

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**III List of All Publications and Technical Reports Published:**

1. Tracy M. Handel and John D. Baldeschwieler, Proceedings of the Chemical Defense Research Conference, Aberdeen Proving ground, MD. (1985). "Development of Microencapsulation Techniques Using Stabilized Phospholipid Vesicles".
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2. "Characterization of Disulfide Polymerized Phosphatidylcholines", Tracy M. Handel and John D. Baldeschwieler, California Institute of Technology, Dept. of Chemistry, Pasadena, CA 91125.

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